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As to Flags.

Commander-in-Chief Palmer, of the Grand Army of the Republic, should refrain from indulging himself in any further agony over the appearance of a Confederate flag at the Grady memorial exercises. No disrespect whatever was shown the stars and stripes, and nobody regarded the Confederate bunting as representing anything save a dear memory. It did not mean that the people of Georgia were about to take up arms against the Union. It did not mean that there was treason afoot in some Georgia peanut patch. It did not mean that there was any abatement in the loyalty of the Southern people. It was shown as an emblem of a people's devotion to a lost cause, and its appearance needed neither defense nor apology.

Walking the streets of every Southern city men may be seen with empty sleeves. Those sleeves are, also, flags of the Confederacy, but it is not regarded as treason to wear them, and yet those who wear them do so proudly. One may look fondly at the flag of the Confederacy without faltering in his devotion to the Union. There is no foot of the Southern soil where the star-spangled banner may not be planted and where any disrespect will be shown it. Every Southern citizen reads with approval and admiration of the conduct of Inspector Hubbard, of the Chicago police, in facing the crowd of angry and riotous Anarchy, and ordering the flag of the Union to be run up over the red flag of the Anarchy. It was a brave wholesome act, and every good citizen from the lakes to the gulf, and from the State of Liberty to the Golden Gate, felt a patriotic thrill when the news of the Inspector's deed came to him.

Commander Palmer should have found a proper text in that affair for proclaiming his love for the American flag. If he wishes to do his country good he will desert from further employment as the tool of Northern bandits, who are making preparations for the campaign of 1892. If a band of Anarchists in any Southern city should attempt to put the red flag above the national standard they would encounter the same brave companionship of the latter as marked the intervention of the Chicago Inspector. Though the Southern people have sweet and bitter memories; though they have flowers to strew upon the mounds of those who fought for Southern rights; though they build monuments to the men who gained immortality on bloody fields, they are not less true to "the red, white and blue" than men of the North. Commander Palmer should leave the business of libelling the South to Elliott Shephard, who is a professional fool.—Appeal-Avalanche.

Very respectfully,
Oct. 31-2m J. P. STANBEE.

Mr. Clark, to the Public.

I wish to say to my friends and the public, that I regard Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as the best preparation in use for Cough and Diarrhoea. It is the finest selling medicine I ever handled, because it always gives satisfaction. O. H. CLARK, Orangeville, Texas. For sale by Mayo, Weaver & Sykes, Druggists.

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Unique Pipe Laying.

The Superior Water, Light and Power company have been engaged for several months in the work of extending the twenty-four-inch-in-diameter pipe from West Superior to Lake Superior for water. The entire distance from the pump station to the crib, which rests in forty feet of water in Lake Superior, is 355 feet, and 2,000 feet outside of Minnesota. The entire 2,355 feet of lake pipe was joined above the surface of the water and hung suspended in spaced slings. The object was to cut the slings and allow the entire section of more than half a mile to drop into the water.

It was not intended to attempt the feat for several days, but the approach of a northeaster hastened matters. The job was done hurriedly, but with distinguished success. When everything was in readiness the signal was given, and several of the slings were cut simultaneously. The great black tube, 10,000 tons weight, instantly broke away evenly and dropped squarely into position at the bottom of the lake.—Cor. St. Paul Pioneer Press.

"Perceptible Chill in the Air."

The record for cold weather for the winter was broken Wednesday morning, when the atmosphere was intensely frigid. The air was so full of frost that the appearance of a fog was given. The lowest point reached by the mercury in this city, and reported, was 40 degs. below zero. It required the thickest kind of clothing and vigorous exercise upon the part of pedestrians in the early morning hours to keep comfortable. At Shirley it was 42 degs. below zero, 44 degs. at Edinburg, 38 degs. at Sobco, and the same relative report comes from many other places in this vicinity. The weather was the chief topic of conversation. During the day it grew considerably warmer, but there was a very perceptible chill in the air, and late in the afternoon it was again quite cold. The night was very frigid.—Bangor Whig.

A Big Book.

An enormous volume, three as large as the bulkiest family Bible that ever graced a marble topped table in a country parlor, has reached the Capitol. It is gold letters on its broad back are the words, "History of Members, Second Session, Fifty-first Congress." In this book will be recorded not the private history of members, but all their public acts. Every time a member votes, every time he introduces a bill or petition, and every time he is recorded as not voting or paired will be recorded in the huge book, and future biographers will find already prepared for their use a vast amount of data. If the size of the volume is any indication of its importance it ought to be preserved in a treasury vault.—Washington Post.

Lowell's Great Lawyer.

Gen. Butler's voice is not so powerful as it used to be. In fact, it is difficult to hear him a dozen feet away, though he occasionally fires up and some of his old time force presents itself. He still relies considerably on the sympathy of the jury, especially when he is defending a comely woman. His method of arguing his case is the same in substance as it always has been. Plenty of wit and humor run through his speech, and those with all the paths his case will permit combine to make his always eloquent pleas more effective. His favorite attitude while addressing the jury is to brace his broad shoulders against the clerk's desk. His hands are deeply thrust into his pockets; he seldom gestures.—Boston Advertiser.

When the Planets Will Be Brightest.

At what time in 1891 will the principal planets be in their brightest phase of the year? Venus is now at about that stage. She is the morning star, however. That is to say, she rises and sets before the sun. At about 5 o'clock in the morning she will be in view in the southeast, and will be visible from that time until day dawns. Two months hence Saturn will be at his brightest stage. He will rise at that time in the east just as the sun sets. Jupiter will be at his best—early in September, appearing in the southeast after sundown.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Frost Carnival.

Something new in the line of entertainments is upon the tapis at York Beach, Me.—a frost carnival. The hall is to be decorated to represent the Arctic regions, with grotesque snow caves and icicles. The audience are expected to appear in costumes suited to the apparent condition of things—toboggans, Equino, or snow and frost covered suits. The children are in training for appearance as snow fairies, frost sprites, etc., and a sleigh bell chorus and drill with 164 sleigh bells is on the programme.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Laying on the Rod.

In the mayor's court, at Anthony, Fla., a few days ago, a lad, for violation of an ordinance, was fined \$2. The court granted the boy's mother the privilege of paying the fine or whipping the boy in open court. She accepted the latter, and the mayor had to check her to prevent an unmerciful whipping.—Exchange.

The Japanese census shows that the population a year ago was 40,078,000—30,245,328 males and 10,832,672 females, 7,840,572 inhabited houses, 8,335 nobles, 1,895,687 shirkers, or members of the old military class, 38,074,358 "common people" and 7,463,119 married couples.

Mrs. John Webb, of Asper, Fla., a common butter bean growing in her yard, that has climbed to the top of an oak thirty-five feet high, and is laden with beans from bottom to top.

Mrs. Osburn, mother of Charles M. Osburn, now awaiting the sentence of death for the murder of J. M. Bradley, in Atlanta, Ga., died in Marietta, Ga., from grief. She was 71 years old.

Sir John Lubbock kept a queen bee for fifteen years, a fact proving her eggs to be just as fertile at that age as they were twenty years before.

Undoubtedly, now, the White Star steamer Teutonic is the fastest ship on the Atlantic, holding both the eastern and western records for speed. It will be remembered that she came from Greenstown to Sandy Hook in 8 days 16 hours and 31 minutes. The eastward trip takes more time, but the Teutonic has reduced the trip to 5 days 21 hours and 23 minutes. Next!

Boulanger died several years ago, and only took advantage of the death of Mme. de Bonnemain as an excuse to get his corpse out of sight. All the success he ever had he owed to the infatuation of rich and silly women. Looking at his portrait the disinterested outsider can only wonder what there was in him to make women go down before him as he did. There is indeed no accounting for tastes.

Thus far the United States has been able to assimilate industrially every Jew that has landed on her shores, and has increased in national prosperity thereby. It is charged, however, that the Russian Jews are neither industrious nor thrifty, but that they are more like the indolent and shiftless Russian peasant. If this be true, their brethren of the same race will speedily take them in hand and educate them up to the requirements of American industry. The American Jews have prospered in the United States as they have done nowhere else, except perhaps in France.

Boulanger and Balmaceda.

It is quite possible that the suicide of Balmaceda suggested to Boulanger that method of getting out of his troubles. Balmaceda, starting out under the most favorable auspices and apparently with a sincere desire for the good of the republic of Chili, developed the spirit of the military dictator. In his desperate attempt to subvert government by the people he was overthrown and driven to suicide.

Boulanger, too, attempted to overthrow government by the people, striking like a viper at the republic that had made him. Like Balmaceda, Boulanger failed, and took himself by short cut out of a world that had no more use for him. Some such winding up as this will overtake every man who seeks to crush liberty among the people and put their necks under the foot of a dictator, whether he be czar, emperor or military adventurer.

An Unfortunate Controversy.

In 1889 the compulsory school education law of Wisconsin was amended by a clause which read as follows:

No school shall be regarded as a school under this act, unless there shall be taught therein, as part of the elementary education of children, reading, writing, arithmetic and United States history in the English language.

This seemed simple enough. A similar law was enacted in Illinois. An outsider could not see at first glance what was to be objected to in the act. This is an English speaking country. It is of the first importance that young American citizens shall obtain a correct and extensive knowledge of their native tongue, that language which one of Germany's greatest scholars and authors, Jacob Grimm, of his own free will declares has a right to be the language of the world. And certain it is, beyond all doubting, that half a century more will behold it spoken by a majority of all the civilized people on the globe.

Therefore let us have the English language pure and undefiled, as sweetly spoken, as correctly pronounced and written as we can get it. It is true that many hundred thousands of our best citizens are natives of lands where languages other than English is the mother tongue. They cannot help it now. But they can see to it that their children shall master English perfectly. That is one of their first duties, since they have cast their lot and that of their children forever in this English speaking land. It is not at all of particular importance whether the children of German, Italian or Norwegian parents forget or remember the native tongue of their parents. It is of the first importance that these children do learn the story of this republic, and its language, government and institutions. So much will be admitted by every fair minded person.

Very unfortunate, therefore, it was that the laws in question should in some way—how, it is hard to see—have drifted into a political party question and even into a theological one, and the controversy became as red hot as only political and theological controversies can become. One party says the law was aimed at the original right of parental control as opposed to state control of the education of children, and another class of opponents declares it aims at nothing less than striking down religion, while yet a third contingent avows that it wants to destroy the private schools altogether and throw a lot of good people out of their living.

However these things be, one fact remains fixed: This is an English speaking country. In the babel of foreign tongues here a supreme effort must be made to educate our young citizens to a thorough knowledge of the language of the republic. If they can also learn as an accomplishment French, German, Italian, Swedish or Mecklenburgish Platt-Deutsch, so much the better, but English first, best and all the time.

Balmaceda and Boulanger—burst dictators.

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